1. STATE Maryland
COUNTY Baltimore
TOWN Lutherville VICINITY
STREET NO. 311 W. Seminary Avenue

ORIGINAL OWNER George Sadtler
ORIGINAL USE residence
PRESENT OWNER Giles Parker
PRESENT USE residence
WALL CONSTRUCTION Trame
NO. OF STORIES 2½

HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SÜRVEY
INVENTORY

2. NAME 311 W. SEMINARY AVE.

STYLE Second Empire or Mansard ARCHITECT BUILDER

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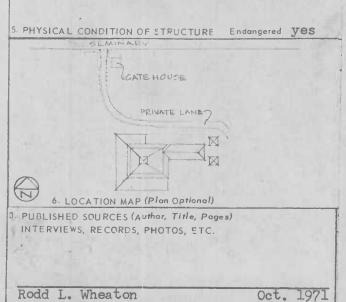
4. NOTABLE FEATURES, HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND DESCRIPTION

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This house with its German siding is the best preserved example of its style in Lutherville. The house is characterized by the belvedere, which has pairs of four light arched windows on each side and a modillioned cornice supporting a pyramidal roof with its ornamental finial, on top of the slightly ogee curved mansard roof still trimmed with moulded corner boards set with fan corner decorations at the joint with the upper moulded cornice's frieze board. A decorative band of pointed shingles is set between regular shingle coursing on each face of the slate roof with its dormers. The dormers, two on the three bay front facade and one on each of two bay side facades as well as on the back slope of the roof, have elaborately scrolled trim with raised, applied decoration at the sill and moulded lintels over the segmentally arched heads. The eaves of the main roof slope are further ornamented with scroll modillions supporting the flared roof's moulded cornice. Finally regarding the roof, there are two corbeled cap chimneys set somewhat between the belvedere. An end chimney of similar design is seen at the rear of the original back two story wing.

A one story veranda with square Tuscan type columns supporting its corniced eaves wraps around the front facade and sides of the house. It is enclosed on the south side for a conservatory or solarium. The Fenestration of the glazing, doors and wainscot-high paneling suggests that it is an early addition.

Typically, the windows of the house, including the dormers, have six over six light sash set into the architrave trimmed openings. Those of the first floor, flanking the sidelighted and





transomed front door with its six heavily moulded panels, have six over nine light sash. The first floor windows are hung with paneled shutters with interesting sets of hardware, while the second floor windows are hung with louvered blinds.

The two story, hipped roof wing extends to the rear of the main structure of the house. Its cornice line is even with that of the lower cornice of the main roof. With its several later additions, it is partially connected to two small, square out buildings with pyramidal roofs topped by turned finials. The buildings, nearly two stories high under their roofs, were probably originally a dairy and smoke house originally located at each corner of the back facade of the rear wing.

Sitting on a large tract of land outside the original boundaries of the 1854 Lutherville plat, the grounds are well established with large trees. In sum, the house and grounds present a delightful picture of a nearly complete domestic scene of an affluent 1860's country house.



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TOWN Lutherville VICINITY Dist. VIII
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ORIGINAL OWNER
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WALL CONSTRUCTION
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HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY
INVENTORY BA-199 196

2 NAME #311 W. Seminary Avenue

DATE OR PERIOD 1863
STYLE
ARCHITECT
BUILDER

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4. NOTABLE FEATURES, HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND DESCRIPTION

OPEN TO PUBLIC

Built by George Sadtler, frame house, with mansard roof and cupola. House unchanged architecturally. Surrounded by unusual trees and a boxwood garden. Present owner Mr. Giles Parker whose mother was Emma Giles; she christened the bay boat by that name March 3, 1887.

(second HABS report)
E. Frances Offutt
HABS COMMITTEE OF BALTIMORE
COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY
March 20, 1968

5. PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE Endangered

Interior

Exterior



6. LOCATION MAP (Plan Optional)

7. PHOTOGRAPH

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ORIGINAL OWNER
ORIGINAL USE
PRESENT OWNER Mr. Giles Parker
PRESENT USE
WALL CONSTRUCTION frame
NO. OF STORIES

HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY
INVENTORY 39-44-196

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DATE OR PERIOD 1863
STYLE
ARCHITECT
BUILDER George Sadtler

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